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July 25, 2005

Ms. Elizabeth Cheadle
Chairperson
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
5750 Ramirez Canyon
Malibu, California 90265

**Grant Application - Proposition 50 Funds
Pacoima Wash Greenway 8th Street Park**

Dear Ms. Cheadle:

I am pleased to present the enclosed application for grant funding for park improvements at the Pacoima Wash Greenway 8th Street Park. The MRCA requests a grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, Proposition 50, specifically Water Code Section 79570(c), in compliance with Section 79508.

The proposed grant would fund planning, design, and construction of park improvements at the 8th Street Pacoima Wash Greenway Park, including demolition and site cleanup, fencing, and minor grading, and irrigation. Please refer to the enclosed application for more information. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Barbara Romero, the project manager, at 323-221-9944, extension 188.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Berger".

Michael D. Berger
Chairperson

Attachments: Application

**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
GRANT APPLICATION**

Project Name: Pacoima Wash Greenway-8 th Street Park	Amount of Request: \$ 500,000.00 Total Project Cost: \$ 500,000.00						
Applicant Name: Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority	Amount of Match: \$ 0 Source of Match: n/a						
Applicant Address: 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100 Los Angeles, CA 90065	Project Address: 801 8th Street, San Fernando, CA 91340 <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 5px;"> <tr> <th style="width: 33%;">County</th> <th style="width: 33%;">Senate District</th> <th style="width: 33%;">Assembly District</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Los Angeles</td> <td style="text-align: center;">20</td> <td style="text-align: center;">39</td> </tr> </table>	County	Senate District	Assembly District	Los Angeles	20	39
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Person with day-to-day responsibility for project: <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Barbara Romero, Special Projects Manager</td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: right;">323-221-9944, x188</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;"><i>Name and Title</i></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black; text-align: right;"><i>Phone</i></td> </tr> </table>		Barbara Romero, Special Projects Manager	323-221-9944, x188	<i>Name and Title</i>	<i>Phone</i>		
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Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum): Planning, design, and construction of park improvements at the 8 th Street Pacoima Wash Greenway Park, including demolition and site cleanup, fencing, minor grading, irrigation, native landscaping, and site amenities.							
Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 50							
Narrative/Project Description: <p>In April 2005 the MRCA acquired a 3-acre parcel adjacent to Pacoima Wash in the City of San Fernando. The proposed project will result in initial site improvements to that parcel to protect the land and water resources of Pacoima Wash, a tributary to the Los Angeles River. Future phases of park improvements will focus on infiltration of storm water, creation of wetlands, restoration of riparian habitat, enhancement of an urban habitat corridor, and creation of pedestrian and bicycle trails.</p> <p>The proposed site improvements include demolition of an existing vacant shed and other structures, removal of invasive exotic plants, site cleanup to remove debris that has been dumped onsite, installation of new fencing to enclose the site for public safety, minor grading to infiltrate stormwater, restoration of native plant communities, and focused improvements at the main park entrance. The park entrance improvements may include native plants, irrigation, interpretive signs, benches, and a decorative gate. A detailed cost estimate will be prepared during creation of construction drawings. If the budget allows, improvements may also include a drinking fountain, extended plantings and</p>							

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irrigation, and/or a shade structure.

The project will directly result in protection of the land and water resources of Pacoima Wash. By regrading the site to allow infiltration of storm water, urban runoff into the wash will be reduced. Storm water will infiltrate into the soil instead of flowing into the concrete-lined Pacoima Wash, adjacent to the park. All planted areas will be mulched to discourage establishment of invasive exotic plants that could out-compete the native plants. Irrigation will be used only to establish the native plants. The site currently is partially fenced. Because access is available, illegal dumping and other activities occur onsite, causing pollution in Pacoima Wash. By fully enclosing the site with fencing, these problems will be eliminated and public safety will be increased.

A public meeting was held on 6/23/05 to gather community input on the park and a conceptual design will be based on that input and presented for public review in autumn 2005. The proposed grant also includes funding to develop the conceptual design and the construction documents.

The project budget is based upon preliminary conceptual ideas from public meetings. Therefore, it will be further refined after completion of public process and construction documents. The final project design will be presented to the community.

The project is within the upper Los Angeles River watershed and implements goals identified in Chapter 1, Section 79501(e) and (f) of Proposition 50. It is consistent with the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan* as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

Task/Milestones:	
Project Planning and Design:	Budget:
Landscape Architect/Construction Documents and Subconsultants	\$80,000
Project M Management	\$25,000
Construction Observation	\$8,000
Hydrogeologist	\$12,000
Construction:	
Fencing	\$25,000
Soils Study	\$5,000
Site Clean Up and Demolition	\$45,000
Grading	\$25,000
Park Improvements	\$175,000
Storm Water Infiltration System	\$100,000
Total Grant:	\$500,000

Acquisition Projects: APN(s): n/a
Acreage: n/a

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.


Signature of Authorized Representative

7.21.05
Date

Form SMM-001

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